

Fort Monroe Spouses and Civilians Club

Building Friendships One Member at a Time

Hello ya'll!

I am very excited about the upcoming year for the Fort Monroe Spouses' and Civilians' Club! I hope that we can offer all of our old friends, as well as our new friends, the opportunity to join us for a year full of fun activities. A big thank you to our Board of Directors! They have been very busy this summer preparing for a year that is packed full of surprises and meaningful activities.

As you see, with a new year comes a new name. We hope that the new name will be more easily recognizable for those people who are searching for a group with a purpose!

We will begin this year at the home of the TRADOC Commanding General, General William S. Wallace. Sharon has graciously opened her home for us to host our September Sign-Up on the 12th of September from 10:30 – 1:00 p.m. During this time you will get the chance to discover, renew and reconnect with friends! The sign up will afford you the opportunity to join the FMSCC as a member, join us in activities that will be available throughout the year, and open up your horizons to what Fort Monroe and the beautiful Fortress has to offer.

For those of you who are new to us at Fort Monroe, a big giant welcome! The welcome mat is out and ready for you to step onto and realize that you have just been assigned to the best kept secret in the Army!!! For our wonderful civilian counterparts and our ever faithful retirees, welcome back to you! Please bring your friends and come prepared to have FUN!!!!!

FMSCC President

Hi! I'm your 2nd Vice President. I am responsible for creating the menus for all of our functions this year so, if you don't like the food you can blame me! (Ha-ha)
I am also in charge of the major fund raisers we will be conducting. Our first fund raiser will be

a jewelry show in November (more information to follow). Marie Hinton is my co-chair on this project. But, we still need volunteers to help out during this function!

Our second fundraiser, in February, is the Chili Cook-off and Auction which is a BIG project! I will need about 10 people for this committee. Our first meeting to discuss this will be the 26th of October at 11:30 (place TBD). However, I need people immediately who would like to start soliciting the local area for donations for the auction.

Another fundraiser for the club is the sale of White House ornaments. Joy Henderson has graciously accepted the task of selling these along with her other wares at the Ways and Means table that she sets up at all of our luncheons and during Music Under the Stars (MUTS).

Another project of mine is the "Lunch Bunch". We will get together on 31 August after the Board meeting- this is NOT just for board members- it is for anyone who likes to go out for lunch! I need some ideas of where you would like to go and a head count so I can reserve a table for where we are going. So, give me a call, 877-5721, or e-mail me, DScully4@cox.net, if you would like to attend. I will send out more details on 26 AUG. In the future, I will probably have all Lunch Bunch functions on the first Thursday of the month after Board meetings around 11:30 am. I plan on trying to go to places that will allow me to reserve a table so, please pass on any suggestions. Following are a few places I am planning for our lunches: Carrot Tree- Yorktown, Tokyo- Hampton, Tapas-Newport News. Tapas is usually not open for lunch but will accommodate us if we have at least 20 people attending.

I think it will be a fun year and I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the sign up in September!

Hi, I am the First Vice President. My job is to set the calendar for the year's events. We have a wonderful and talented Board and we are very excited about the upcoming year. Please notice we have added more evening events for those who can not attend the daytime functions. We would also like to do at least one major **service project** – more on that later after we have checked with all the appropriate agencies. This is your club and we want you to enjoy being a part of this wonderful organization so we look forward to your input and ideas. The calendar of events for this year is as follows:

September	Membership Sign-up	12 September 2006
October	Calling Cards to Careers- Basic Black Dress/ Retiree appreciation	12 October 2006
*November	*Laundry Room Ball * Jewelry Show (11-7 pm)	17 November 2006 3 November 2006
December	Christmas around the World	14 December 2006
January	Let's make a Deal Joint Services Luncheon	11 January 2007 18 January 2007
*February	Chocolate Lovers Bunko * Chili Cook- off	8 February 2007 23 February 2007
*March	*Wine and Cheese Night	9 March 2007
April	How Does Your Garden Grow?	19 April 2007
May	Year End Review and Installation of New Board	10 May 2007

^{*} denotes evening function

We hope to see you often!

1st Vice President

Hi, I'm the club historian. We plan to take some exciting "field trips" to a few of the many interesting historical sites in our area. I hope that you will all consider joining us on what promises to be some fun and interesting outings and to explore the amazing history of our beautiful Fort Monroe as well!

Club Historian

Hi, I'm Well-being and Welfare Chairman and that means I (we) get to spend all the money the FMSCC makes through our fundraising. I would really like members to assist me in this endeavor; we all work hard to make the money, why not have a say about where it goes? The Welfare fund is used for supporting the organizations in the Fort Monroe community that you and I use every day. If you would like to be on the committee, just call me at 723-0566 or email me at nhseger@aol.com.

The welfare committee only meets about three times...once in October to review the SOP and then twice in March to dole out the \$\$\$.

Thanks for your help!!

Hi, I'm responsible for reservations and I will be glad to take your reservations for the club's events. I look forward to meeting you all.

FMSCC Reservations

Hello past, present and future Ft. Monroe Spouses' and Civilians' Club Members. I am so honored to be able to be a part of this amazing group of people by serving as your Treasurer. I know we will have a year full of good times, great success and lasting friendships. I am looking forward to making many deposits in honor of our different welfare and service projects. Along with many of you, I am committed to the betterment of Fort Monroe and its surrounding areas. Here's to a great year!!

FMSCC Treasurer

Hi! I'm the Publicity Chair. My job is to keep you informed about what is going on in the club so you can have the most fun possible!

I also put the newsletter together so, if there is information you would like to get out to the entire membership please let me know. The deadline for submission will be the 20th of every month. The newsletter will give details about the upcoming month's event(s). Those of you with e-mail addresses will receive your newsletter electronically.

Refrigerator magnets with the year's schedule of events will be available to all members at the September Sign-up. Pick one up!

Public Relations

Around Town

Are you looking for good seafood? Well, check out the Surf Rider restaurant (1 Marina Way) in Hampton. Most seafood meals are priced between \$15-\$20 and worth every penny! It is a little crazy getting there- a Mapquest search is a must. Just remember you will feel like you are lost for sure and then there the restaurant will be!

Looking to replace that Polish pottery dish that the movers broke? The PX at Langley Air Force Base and at Ft. Eustice has been stocking a lot of pieces lately. I also like to visit a store in Newport News, Signature Style Polish Pottery, off of Jefferson Ave., about ½ mile north of J. Clyde Morris on Loftis Blvd. Check it out!

I am looking for information about antiquing as well as the town of Smithfield. I haven't ventured that way yet and would like to have some ideas of where to go.

Please share your fun places with us! To get your ideas in the Around Town section please send them to: lori.marra.king@us.army.mil or give me a call at 224-5538.

Help spread the word! The White House Christmas ornaments are here! This year's ornament commemorates President Chester A. Arthur's Tiffany White House. You can purchase them at the Casemate Museum gift shop, at the FMSCC table at Music Under the Stars, or at the sign-up on September 12. If you would like to help sell them at your coffee groups, call me at 660-7923. I can arrange to have you sign for some extra ornaments. Christmas is just around the corner and they make great gifts.

The board just voted to drop the price of the cookbooks to \$10!! The recipes are time tested and, I am told that all the food at the sign-up will be straight from the cookbook.

Our volunteers have been the greatest. They have braved the heat and thunderstorms to sell at Music Under the Stars so that the club can do great things this year. Thank you, ladies! I could not have done it without you. Volunteers are what keep us strong.

Ways and Means

Remember, too, that Joy has many other great things for sale so make sure you visit her table at every luncheon!

Hi, I'm your Hospitality Chair. My responsibility is to make sure you feel welcome at all of our events! September Sign up is a big event so I could use a few more volunteers to pour punch and help out with a few other tasks. If you would like to volunteer for about 20 minutes during the event please call me at: 509 475-6500.

Hospitality Chairman



Bits and Pieces

Our Membership Chair, would like to let you know that we have old club pins that we are giving away for *FREE*! She is working on designing a new one for our newly named club that should be available at the September Sign up.

Remember, this is your club! Gail needs help with all of our events and she welcomes all your ideas, suggestions and hard work. So, please, if you want to be involved on a specific event, like the Basic Black Dress or putting together basket for the auction at the Chili Cook off, let Gail or Donna or any of the board members know!

Jewelry Event

Just a reminder of another fundraiser that Marie Hinton has taken on. James Quality Jewelers will be at the Bay Breeze Community Club on Friday, November 3rd, 11:00 am- 7 pm. He is traveling all the way from Bangkok, Thailand, to sell his guaranteed jewelry. Please join us for this event!

Welcome to the 2006 - 2007 Fort Monroe Spouses and Civilians Club



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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JNIT	Active Duty Civilian Retired Widowed Liaison
How would you prefer to re	eceive FMSCC information? Email Postal
How would you like to assis	st with FMSCC this year?
What year did you first bec	ome a member?
New member? How did yo	u hear about us?
May we print your informat	ion in the Membership Directory? Yes No
authorizes the FMSCC to pu	sign here Your signature ublish your information in the FMSCC Membership Directory and in the e directory. We DO NOT share your information with outside parties.
Dues are \$20.00.Please send Applica Fort Monroe, VA 2	ear extends from August 2006 until May 2007. Please make checks payable to: Fort Monroe CCC. ation and Dues to: Fort Monroe Spouses and Civilians Club, PO Box 51114, 3651 or bring to any Fort Monroe Spouses and Civilians Club function. our application by 9 November 2006 in order to be included in the Membership
	Luncheon Reservations: lluttre4@aol.com or 325-6007 each month for the luncheon. NOTE: If you RSVP for a to attend, you must call to cancel the Sunday prior to the function, otherwise you will be charged the cost of your meal.
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